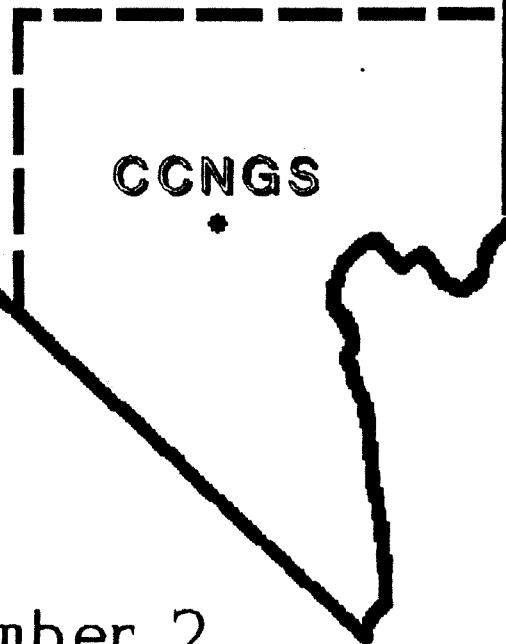


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# Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society

CCNGS is a non-profit organization under Section 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Society meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Drawbridge Room of Commercial Center, 900 East Karen, Suite A-210, Las Vegas, at 7:00 PM. The program includes the business meeting, a guest speaker, and refreshments. Our purpose is to provide instruction for the collection, preservation, and publication of genealogical, biographical, historical, and geographical materials.

Yearly membership dues are as follows:

Single membership . . . . .	\$ 12.00
Life membership . . . . .	\$120.00
Family membership of husband and wife. . . . .	\$ 15.00
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Queries are free to CCNGS members and \$1.00 for non-members. There is a limit of 3 queries per issue per person. Queries must be resubmitted to appear again.

The Society desires to publish original material when it is possible along with other items of interest to our readers such as brief family genealogies, Bible records, ancestor charts, book reviews, old letters, vital statistics, census records, county records, cemetery records, book reviews, and articles on history and genealogy. It is also intended to be regional balanced in content. Comments about this policy are requested. Material is always solicited from all of our members as well as non-members.

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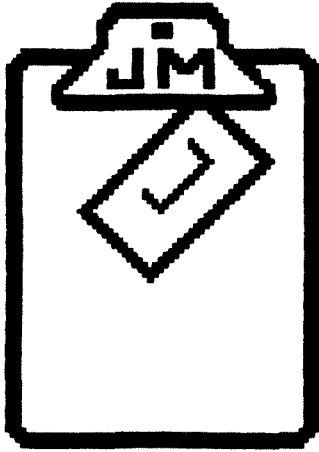
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# President's Message

What a summer this is going to be! I can just feel those ancestors out there waiting for someone to find them. Let's get out there and hunt, hunt, hunt!

I just came back from a trip myself to Jasper, Newton County, Arkansas. Jasper is the county seat and at last count the population was 519.

I met the nicest people and they all went out of their way to help this stranger in their town.

I traveled the back roads looking for a cemetery. I thought I was lost. There were little pigs running all around my car. (A hog barn was near the cemetery.) We went over what someone called a bridge and hiked up the hills. Our souvenirs included several unwanted ticks, but would do it all over again in a minute. Well, maybe not the ticks!

So get out there and hunt. Make some new friends. Remember to thank all those county clerks that put up with all of our stories and questions. Then listen for their sighs of relief as we go out the door!

Drive carefully and happy hunting.

*Joyce Kelley Morris*



From the

Editor

WELCOME to my first issue as the editor of The Prospector !

We are now using a computer to prepare this newsletter -- an Atari ST computer. I would appreciate both your patience as well as your criticisms during my double learning period. Not only am I slowly experimenting with this new computer desktop publisher, but I am also an editor for the first time. The Prospector has a real greenhorn at the reins !

One of the main reasons I enjoy reading various genealogical newsletters is to find both new ways of doing research and new sources of information. Along these lines, I have written to many different organizations, businesses, governmental bodies at local, state and federal levels, and individuals. I will be sharing results of these efforts with you, both the good and the not so good.

Now each of you also have had a variety of responses during your research efforts. Why not share them with all of us ?

Please do consider just jotting down a quick note about just one good source you found. Think of it ! We have close to 100 active members in our society. If only half shared just one good source, it would greatly enhance the value of The Prospector. I do not expect everyone to contribute, but do try to join the half that does.

Thank you for your help. One of the great aspects of our hobby is that people are always working together, never against each other. What else can compare ?

C. J.



# C.C.N.G.S.

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\* \* **WANTED** \* \*

The Society is in need of back copies of The Prospector. This was discovered on a previous Library Day when an inventory of back issues was attempted. It seems the only issue available was the previous issue - March 1988.

So, pardner, get out yer pick and shovels. Then dig up some of our old Prospectors - newsletters, that is! Donna Harvey needs em.

\* **Results ??** \*

Ever use a professional or for fee person for your research ? In upcoming issues, we would like to publish the results of such efforts. Regardless of the level or extent of the service, there is a good possibility that someone in our Society would also be interested, or should be warned, as the case may be.

Any submissions can be given to any of the officers at either our meetings or on Library Day. It does not need to be perfectly typed and spelled; just accurate.

The sharing of information, all kinds, is the foundation of genealogy. [The aforesaid was the opinion of the editor.]

**Meeting Topics:**

**June** - "Story of Las Vegas" by Bob Lapointe, part 4. This is the conclusion of his presentation.

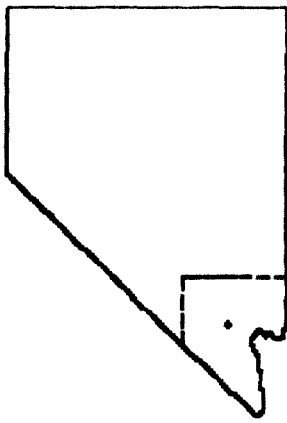
**July** - "Planning a SLC Trip". A panel discussion by some members who went to the Family History Center in SLC last year. The annual Society week long trip is this month.

**August** - "Using a Computer BBS". Demonstration of using the computer to call a local BBS, and the sending and receiving of genealogical information.

**September** - Annual election of officers.

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Is there something you would like to see presented ? Is there a topic you have some experience with that could be shared with us ? Or know of someone else who could be contacted ?

Any suggestions for program subjects are gratefully appreciated by our Program Chairperson, Judy Sands.



# News from Nevada

## 1880 Nevada Census for Las Vegas

Inhabitants of Vegas Rancho, in the County of Lincoln, State of Nevada, enumerated on the 14th day of September 1880.

Oly, C.K.	W M	29	Head	Miner	Ill	NJ	Ill
---, M.S.	W F	21	Wife	Keep house	Cal	Tex	Tex
Gass, O.D.	W M	52	Head	Farmer	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio
----, Mary	W F	36	Wife	Keep house	Mo	Mo	Mo
----, Dallah	W F	7	Dau.	At home	Nev	Ohio	Mo
----, Finton	W M	6	Son	At home	Nev	Ohio	Mo
----, Perry	W M	4	Son	At home	Nev	Ohio	Mo
----, Florin	W M	4	Son	At home	Nev	Ohio	Mo
----, Ina	W F	1	Dau.	At home	Nev	Ohio	Mo
Lowe, Thomas	W M	35		Farmhand	Eng	Eng	Eng
Huff, George	W M	47		Farmhand	NC	NC	NC
Koons, Alexander	W M	38		Farmhand	Pa	Pa	Pa
Fratz, John	W M	51		Cook	Bav	Bav	Bav
Towner, Charles	W M	43	Head	Farmer	NJ	NJ	NJ
-----, Adella	W F	29	Wife	Keep house	Ohio	Eng	Eng
-----, Charlotte	W F	10	Dau.	At home	Mo	NJ	Ohio
-----, Marguis	W M	8	Son	At home	Mo	NJ	Ohio
Jamison, L.	W M	29		Farmhand	Tex	Mo	Mo
Bob	I M	25			Nev		
Bill	I M	48			Nev		
Sally	I F	80			Nev		
Fanny	I F	40			Nev		
Lizzie	I F	30			Nev		
Maggie	I F	35			Nev		
Lulu	I F	18			Nev		
Ben	I M	20			Nev		
Hank	I M	60			Nev		
Hi	I M	45			Nev		
Boy	I M	8			Nev		
Girl	I F	6			Nev		
Papoose	I F	2			Nev		

# News from Nevada, # 2

## Vital Statistic records -

State Division of Health, Div. of Vital Statistics, Carson City 89701  
Birth records begin July 1, 1911, but are restricted to access by the individual or the immediate family only - no genealogy.

Death records also start July 1, 1911 and can be released for genealogical research.

Marriage and divorce records are indexed from January 1, 1968 to the present. No copies are issued. The referred to county must be contacted for both a copy and all prior dates.

Costs are as follows:

Search of the files OR verification of record	\$2.00
Certified copy of birth OR death	\$6.00

Clark County Health District, Vital Records, Las Vegas, NV 89127  
Birth and death records for only the last 30 years are available for copying here. Earlier records are in Carson City. Must send for specific forms to use and be in the immediate family.

Costs: \$6.00 each OR \$2.00 for searching if not found.

Clark County Recorder, 309 South Third St, Las Vegas, NV 89155  
Marriage certificate available for genealogical research. Yearly index. [Ed. note: 63,000 marriages in 1987 in the county.] They will search up to 10 yearly indexes per request. They do have on-line computer searching and receive many long distance calls. Telephone number is 702-455-4337. The parents' names did not appear on the marriage application until 1975.

Costs: Certified copy \$3.00 and \$1.00 per year searched, SASE

Lincoln County Recorder, P.O. Box 218, Pioche, NV 89043

Lincoln is the parent county for Clark, which was formed in 1909. There is a wealth of information in the Recorder's Office, which is available for public use. Some of the records are as follows:

- Birth and death from 1887; Marriage and Newspapers from 1872
- Real Estate Deeds from the 1860's; Mining records from 1878
- Mortgage indexes and various other Miscellaneous indexes

## US Census records for Southern Nevada

Lincoln:	1870 - 2,985	1880 - 2,637	1890 - 2,466	1900 - 3,284
Clark:	1910 - 3,321	1920 - 4,859		
Las Vegas:		1920 - 2,304	1930 - 5,165	





News from

The West

## Member attends AZ Seminar "88"

The Arizona State Genealogical Society presented a seminar on last March 11th and 12th which was attended by our Barbara Cullings. It was entitled Seminar "88", Harvesting Your Family Tree which featured Arlene Eakle, co-author of 'The Source', Ben Bloxham of BYU Family and Local History Studies, Larry Jensen, author various genealogical books and editor of 'German Genealogy Digest', Fred Klose, archivist at the National Archives at Los Angeles among others.

The seven hourly sessions on Friday and five on Saturday, each with four topic choices, gave each attendee a wide range of classes to meet individual needs. Classes were available for all levels of expertise.

The seminar syllabus contained handouts for each session with additional handouts available during the particular session. Initial class selections were indicated on the registration form. However, everyone was free to change classes as required.

At least six vendors were at the seminar offering books, charts, forms, computer programs and the like. Conversation with those attending the seminar made the weekend even more complete.

Report by Barbara Cullings

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## Huntington Beach Library - 10000

That's right! The Orange County, California library has over 10,000 volumes in its genealogical collection along with 300 family histories and over 250 periodicals. Also included is the Hollinsworth Card File, which is numerous drawers of cards listing ancestors of the members of the Orange County California Genealogical Society. The library also is the meeting place for O.C.C.G.S.

[Ed. note: During a recent overnight trip to the National Archives in Laguna Niguel, I stopped by the library for a quick look around. I did not leave until closing time because of their large collection.]



# News from Midwest

## Minnesota -

Red Wing Public Library, 225 Broadway, Red Wing, MN 55066  
This library has a card newspaper vital statistic index which can be researched by the reference librarian here. There is no charge for a limited amount of searching and copying. However, they will accept a donation. They also have either microfilm or paper copies of all the local newspapers. I have not yet asked for article copies from them.

**\*\* Note \*\*** This type of index can be an immense benefit for genealogists. I have not discovered many other such newspaper indexes. The existence of them is significant to warrant their mention in The Prospector. Therefore, if you have discovered one of these "precious nuggets", please do give me a note or a copy of a letter that you either sent to them or received from them. We can then share knowledge of their locations with everyone. Thank you. \*\*

Newspaper Library, Minnesota Historical Society, 690 Cedar Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101 (612) 296-2152

They offer a photo copy service for all of the Minnesota newspapers from all over the state. If you know the name of the newspaper, the date and the page of the article, and supply the name of the person you are looking for, they will search for the article, copy it, and mail it in your SASE for a charge of \$.50 per article. I usually ask for 8 different articles per letter and send a check for \$4.00. You can look forward to your copies arriving within a few weeks.

They also lend out the microfilm of the newspapers through Inter-Library Loan, up to 6 rolls per request. You can then do your own searching if you have a general time period, but no specifics.

The Society has a great many other items of genealogical interest. The current main building is located across the street from the state capital in St. Paul, with a secondary archive location a bus ride away. I have found all of the personnel in both locations to be very helpful as well as friendly. I highly commend and recommend them.

# Midwest News cont

## Wisconsin -

Statewide Pre-1907 Index for Births, Deaths and Marriages. This set of indexes is located at the 13 Area Research Centers of the University of Wisconsin. Copies of one type of index for one surname can be requested from one of the centers, usually at no charge. If the copies involve around a dozen pages, then there may be a \$1.00 charge. Only one request is permitted per letter. But the response appears to be overnight. They have been very cooperative.

Each of the libraries is responsible for from 1 to 12 counties. Each also has a Genealogical Resources sheet available listing the specific items available for local research. Some items are available through ILL, but most are not. Each Center will perform a few hours research without any charge. They will usually inform you of their policy when you write them for information. The Center at the U. of W. in River Falls had over 2500 patrons visit them during the 1986/87 school year, their 24th year of operation.

For more information about the Area Research Center Network, you can write to the following:

State Historical Society of Wisconsin  
816 State Street  
Madison, WI 53706  
Archives (608) 262-3338

A word of warning about the above State Historical Society. They do have a very large collection of over 150,000 reels of microfilm. Many of them are available through ILL. But there is a cost of \$5.00 to service each request, and you can only request one type of record at a time. In other words, two newspapers means two requests means two \$5.00 service fees. Well, look at it this way: the cost to look at their 150,000 reels would still be less than a million dollars!

A much better bet is to use the individual Centers for ILL and to perform research for you at a very reasonable cost. Of course, each of the Centers' policy will be influenced by the different attitudes of each of the specific Directors of Centers. A little trial and error will find the best combination of sources to use for your individual research needs.

# Midwest News cont

## Kentucky -

We have in the Society library a brochure from the Kentucky Genealogical Society, Inc. It was organized in 1973 as a non-profit, educational organization. They currently have over 1600 members. Their Society library is located in a special Research Room at the Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives in Frankfort.

They encourage submittals of family group sheets, pedigree charts, lineages, stories and other genealogical and family collections which relates to Kentucky. They also publish volumes of family group sheets with Kentucky connections prior to 1875. Back issues of their quarterly are available.

More information will be found in the brochure in our library.

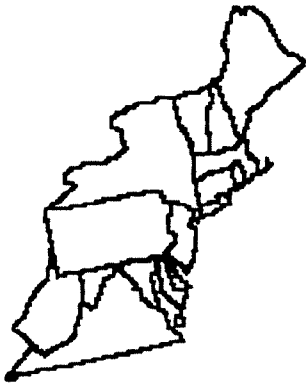
## Indiana -

Our library has received several pieces of information about the Indiana Historical Society. Founded in 1830, they have an extensive genealogical collection. They have over 50,000 volumes and 80 drawers of pamphlets as well as 30,000 rolls of microfilm. Also in the collection is more than 3 million manuscripts and 1500 newspapers dating from 1807.

Besides sending a copy of their Annual Report, they included an excellent and very extensive brochure entitled "Research in Indiana Courthouses: Judicial and other Records." It is well worth the reading.

With an annual budget of well over \$2,000,000, they have published a great deal of genealogical information over the years. They also sent a brochure detailing the information available in 5 of the books they offer. For instance, they list over 200,000 names in 4 volumes.

Lastly, and maybe the most important, they offer genealogical data by mail. Their staff will answer briefly stated, specific questions about Indiana people or research. They will check one name in indexed, printed Indiana sources in reply to a letter. A legal-sized, stamped, self-addressed envelope should be enclosed with every inquiry. The address is Indiana State Library, Genealogical Division, 140 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2296, telephone (317) 232-3689. If anyone takes them up on their offer, please let me know the results.



News from

The East

**New York -**

There is a state law in New York requiring both county and town historians. They can be a valuable source of genealogical information. The town, or township as it is called in other states, historians vary as to how involved their duties are. Some keep a record of local births, deaths, marriages, and important local events sometimes using scrapbooks. Some are given a modest budget and desk space in the town hall or town clerk's office.

Often they are the people who will prepare a cemetery census for their town, often having it published. It is the historian who is responsible for the preservation of the official town records which in some small towns means the records are kept in their private homes.

Depending on how active the historian is, special projects might include indexing the various New York State Census records for the town. NY has records for 1855, 1865, 1875, 1892, 1905, 1915 and 1925. Often the historian is called upon to give historical presentations to local student groups which may include slides of old photographs and paging through the scrapbooks.

I would recommend contacting first either the genealogical or the historical society in the county you are interested in. Ask them for the mailing list of their town historians. Then contact the appropriate town historians giving as much information as you have for the individual or family. They will keep your letter on file, later giving you as a reference for all future inquiries for the same ancestors. Also, if anyone has previously written to them, they will inform you of them. In my case, the only inquiry on my family was made by someone in 1935 - a scant 53 years ago. The historians do hold on to those letters.

In our library, I have placed copies of the letters I have received from some of the town historians. One sent a seven page letter giving details of how to interact effectively with them. If you plan to contact any historians, the letter is well worth reading.



# News from The Feds

## US Board on Geographic Names -

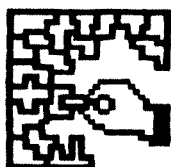
Did you know there is a group in the federal government who has the responsibility for assigning and approving all geographic place names? It was created in 1890 and is comprised of members from several federal government bodies. It serves as a central authority for all name problems, name inquiries, and new name proposals for both the government and the general public.

If you have an old or recent place name that you have been unable to locate on any map or in any gazetteer, then write to them at the following address giving them all the pertinent information and a SASE:

U.S. Board on Geographic Names  
Domestic Geographic Names  
Mallstop 523  
523 National Center  
Reston, VA 22092

Recently, I wrote to them asking for help with a town name I found on an old birth certificate. They promptly replied with a place name, with one letter different, a map with the small town highlighted, and three different genealogical and historical organizations to contact for more information about the town. That is quite a return on an investment of \$ .25.

I had also asked for additional information about their organization since it was new to me. They kindly sent me their 42 page booklet of Policies, Principles and Procedures as well as the Guidelines for establishing new place names. Both of these documents are available in our Society's Library.



# I'm looking for....

**BARRON  
BAUR** Seeking descendants of Marie **BAUR BARRON**. Born in Illinois March 1891 to Frances and John Lawrence **BAUR**. She is believed to have been in Inglewood, CA in 1974.

**BAUER** Also seeking descendants of Alois **BAUER**, found in Cook Co, Illinois during 1900 with wife, Lizette, and children, all born in IL. Jennie, 1889, Louisa, 1891, Henrietta, 1893, Alice, 1894, Lizette, 1895, and George, 1899.

- - - CoraDean Carter, 6904 West Conifer Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89128

**GILMORE  
HANSFORD** Seeking information on parents of Robert **GILMORE**, born about 1790 KY/VA, married Mary **HANSFORD** on March 12, 1818, Lincoln Co., KY. Moved to Lincoln Co., MO 1820. Died on Oregon Trail July 18, 1849. Will exchange information.

- - - Catherine Edmonson, 1004 Oak Tree Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89108

**ANDERSON  
HOLT** Who were the parents and siblings of Sarah (H.) **ANDERSON** She was born in 1784. Married Rev. Irby **HOLT**, Feb. 1800 in McMinn Co., TN. Died Cedar Co., MO in 1849. Children: Emily, Frances, Eliz, Robert, Jane, Serena, Thos and Frances.

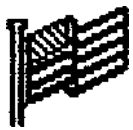
**HOLT  
WARREN** Who were parents and siblings of Elizabeth **WARREN**. She married Robert **HOLT** Sr. in Halifax Co., VA. He died October 26, 1807 in Holt Hills, Halifax Co., VA. Children: James, Robert, Timothy, William, Becky, and Nancy.

**HOLT  
JORDAN** Want family of Robert Hamilton **JORDAN**, born November 3, 1800, Stokes Co., NC. Married Emily **HOLT**, June 8, 1830 in McMinn Co., TN. Died April 27, 1892 in Ono, Shasta Co., CA. Children: Sarah, Mary, Frances, Susannah, Thomas, Irby.

- - - Bernice Jordan Kaye, 4206 Ridgecrest Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89121

**JARNBERG  
JERNBERG** Seeking information on Erika Maria **JANSDOTTER**, born 1850 in Nor, Sweden. Married Per Gustaf **JERNBERG**. Immigrated in 1906. Lived probably in Illinois. Death data unknown. May have Americanized surname to **JARNBERG**.

- - - Carl Jarnberg, 3111 S. Valley View #A206, Las Vegas, NV 89102



# Membership News

## Welcome to these new members:

- #195 Nancy Keeler Kepley, 19765 Grand Ave, Lake Elsinore, CA 92330
- #194 Carole Lee Flatt. 142 Ronald Lane. Las Vegas, NV 89110
- #193 Charles William scncrcotn. 5789 Valentine SLLas Vegas. NV 89119
- #192 Ethel S. Carter, 3465 Algonquin Circle, Las Vegas, NV 89109
- #191 Thomas E scmck. 2411 Llewellyn Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89102
- #190 Carol E. Levens, 1010 Desert Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89106
- #189 Thomas J. Menzie. P.O. Box 1526, Las Vegas, NV 89125
- #188 Carol E. Gibblns. 3401 Casa Grande Ave, Las vegas, NV 89102
- #187 Larry Spittler, 1701 E. Katie #93, Las Vegas, NV 89119
- #186 Robert Lorenzen, 1601 South Sandhill #75, Las Vegas, NV 89104
- #185 Janet Reves. 2305 Oakwood Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89030
- #184 Tony Reves, 2305 Oakwood Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89030
- #183 Hope Rowland, 859 Armada Place, Boulder City, NV 89005
- #182 Dianne Higley, 1406 San Felipe Drive, Boulder City, NV 89005
- #181 ?? Who are you, #181 ??????

.# // Lest we forget, thank you also to those members who have renewed. Space does not permit, this time, to list each or you.

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